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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and 37 C.F.R. §1.97, Applicants submit an Information Disclosure Statement, including one (1) page of Form PTO-1449 and copies of documents four (4) cited therein. This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) after a first Office Action on the merits. It is believed that no fee is required with this submission. However, should a fee be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1329.

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Each item of information contained in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

Foreign Documents

<u>Number</u>	<u>Publication Date</u>	<u>Patentee</u>	<u>Country</u>
WO 97/40137	10-30-1997	Osiris Therapeutics Inc	PCT
WO 97/46665	12-11-1997	Sulzer Orthopedics	PCT
WO 98/24385	06-11-1998	Tapic Intl Co Ltd	PCT
WO 98/22155	05-28-1998	Tapic Intl Co Ltd	PCT

Remarks

This statement should not be interpreted as a representation that an exhaustive search has been conducted or that no better art exists. Moreover, Applicants invite the Examiner to make an independent evaluation of the cited art to determine its relevance to the subject matter of the present application. Applicants are of the opinion that their claims patentably distinguish over the art referred to herein, either alone or in combination.

Respectfully submitted,

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